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The Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations transmits herewith a communiqué issued by the Ministry of People's Power for Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, regarding the new threats to sovereignty, peace and stability of our country issued by President Donald Trump at a dinner with the presence of the highest authorities of Argentina, Brazil, Colombia and Panama, in the framework of their campaign of aggression against Venezuela (see annex).

The Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela to the United Nations requests the circulation of the present note verbale and its annex as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 84 and 120.

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Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Ministry of People's Power for Foreign Affairs

Communiqué

The Government of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela denounces before the peoples of the world the renewed threats against Venezuelan sovereignty, peace and stability made at a dinner hosted by the President of the United States, Donald Trump, for the highest State authorities of Argentina, Brazil, Colombia and Panama. At the event, he called on them to intensify the campaign of aggression against Venezuela. We are confident of the solidarity of our brother peoples in those countries and know that they will reject such action and demand that their leaders act with dignity to defend the sovereignty of Our America.

President Trump's white-supremacist ideas have given him a terrible obsession with Venezuela, but we have the peoples of the world on our side and we are prepared to continue defeating the nefarious attacks of the United States Government through political and diplomatic action, and any other necessary means.

It is shameful and despicable that President Santos, in an effort to avoid being sanctioned by the United States Government for the enormous increase in cocaine production in his country, is resorting to the tactic of portraying Venezuela as a destabilizing element in the region, even going so far as to call for a change in Government, despite the fact that Venezuela has suffered the consequences of the Colombian civil war for years while nevertheless making every effort to secure peace in that country.

These unworthy representatives of their peoples have gone to New York, to the main forum for international cooperation, not to discuss the major challenges facing the region — the suffering of immigrants; the need to settle the social debt and promote sustainable development; combating drug trafficking, beginning with the largest consumer market; and addressing the effects of climate change, which have been seen recently in the hurricanes that have swept through the Caribbean — but to submit to President Trump and follow his orders to take action against Venezuela.

The Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela will continue to defend its independence and stand firm against the attacks of a United States Government that is racist and is seeking to subjugate the entire region. The Venezuelan nation is proud to have a history forged by women and men who gave their lives for the freedom that we enjoy today. No supremacist president can prevail against our people.

Caracas, 19 September 2017